

ITEM #1
03/23/2026

From: Ametakinetos <ametakinetos@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 19, 2026 7:51 AM
To: Clerk/BOS
Subject: Comments for 3/23/26 Special Meeting

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The Board of Supervisors has scheduled a special meeting on March 23 to rename Cesar Chavez Day to Fresno County Agriculture Appreciation Day. I have three comments about that item.

First, given the recent, widely-reported information about Cesar Chavez's conduct toward women and girls, taking his name off the holiday is a good move. Thank you.

Second, however, the replacement name proposed by the Board is ridiculous. While Cesar Chavez engaged in odious private conduct, the *ideal* behind his *public* work was the uplift of *labor*, specifically *agricultural* labor. So to replace "Cesar Chavez Day" with "Fresno County Agriculture Appreciation Day" would throw the baby out with the bathwater. Whatever the Board does on March 23, it should retain the honor of *labor*. And that means not just erasing labor with a generalized "agriculture appreciation." I propose that the Board instead rename the holiday for County employees "Fresno County **Farmworker** Appreciation Day." Better yet, call it "Dolores Huerta Day."

Finally, and all of that aside, I want to know when the Board will take its disapproval of powerful men abusing their position to engage in sexual abuse and direct that straight to the top of this nation, where we have a President that famously launched his first term with "grab 'em by the pussy," went backstage at beauty pageants where underage contestants were undressed, has suffered a civil verdict for sexual abuse that the court determined met the definition of "rape," has been credibly accused by numerous women of various sexual misconduct and assault, and most recently has appeared in the Epstein files accused of conduct exceedingly odious. While the Board is on its high horse and taking such rapid action in light of Cesar Chavez's conduct, why not speak out against Donald Trump, too?

Surely you know your hypocrisy in this matter. Whether you have the courage to admit it in public or not, surely you know, in the inner recesses of your minds. You are not acting from any moral fortitude. If you had the integrity of a deep-seated morality, then you would be publicly condemning the President for his indefensible conduct, too. But your silence betrays the truth. While you do this, while you rail against local sex offenders, you remain silent about the decades of sex abuses and offenses by the person that I am confident a majority of you voted and supported into the Oval Office.

So, yes, change Cesar Chavez Day to something else. But don't think that by calling it "Fresno County Agriculture Appreciation Day" and by ignoring the same kind of conduct by the holder of the highest office in the land you are doing something morally laudatory. You are not.

I am a resident of District 2, but I am in no way *represented* by Garry Bredefeld. I write anonymously because I am also a County employee and do not wish to suffer retaliation for my comments.

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From: Catherine Starr <rymaranch@gmail.com>
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Subject: Renaming C Chavez Blvd

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You should rename it "Dolores Huerta Blvd".

She was important in the Farmworkers' movement. Plus, there aren't many streets named after women.

Cheers, Catherine Starr
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